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Applicant acknowledges that the previous rejections under 101 have been withdrawn.

The rejection of claims 21-23 and 48-53 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention is now moot in that applicant has cancelled these claims. Moreover, applicant has corrected the spelling of "verify" in claim 1, and has amended claims 33 and 36 to overcome the "wording" objections therein. Accordingly, all of the objections to the claims should now be withdrawn.

The rejection of claims 1, 4-8, 10-18 and 21-53 under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by USP 6,405,369 to Tsuria is respectfully traversed.

Applicant has amended claim 1 and each of the other independent claims inclusive of claims 29, 33, 39 and 42 for purposes of clarity and to distinguish the subject invention from Tsuria. Tsuria does not disclose a method using a computer to verify whether or not the identifier of the external security modules is already memorized in an updated list of external security module identifiers transmitted to the digital data reception equipment upon connection of the external security modules to the digital data reception equipment. This is taught on page 5, lines 5-7 in the specification. This verification is critical to the subject invention in that the identifier comes from an updated list transmitted only upon connection of the

external security modules to the digital data reception equipment which clearly distinguishes the subject invention from the teaching in Tsuria. Moreover, Tsuria does not teach the configuration parameters which include the function of parameters used for activating the pairing as is now recited in claim 1.

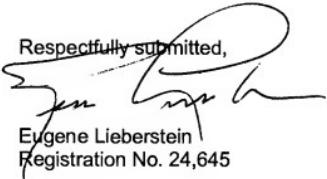
For all of the above reasons, claims 1 and the other independent claims 29, 33, 39 and 42 are clearly patentable over Tsuria and the rejection thereof should be withdrawn. All of the other claims 5-8, 10-18 and 24-28, 30-32, 34-38, 40-41 and 43-47 are dependent claims dependent upon one of the independent claims and are patentable for the same reasons as given above.

Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 5-8, 10-18, 24-47, is respectfully solicited.

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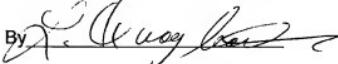
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